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## Who Knows

WHEN

Steamboats will sink or burn?

Willroad trains will be wrecked?

Will lamps will explode?

Will fires will light and run?

Will ships will be wrecked?

Will lightning strike?

Will lightning will crush or mangle?

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## Supposing a Case.

The boatman pulls his dripping oar,  
And the sun shines merrily over,  
For a lady fair on the distant shore  
Was waiting the kiss of her lover.  
And she was a beauty so bright,  
And her features were bright as the mellow  
sunlight.

Now flanking the brow of the water,  
The boatman pulls his dripping oar,  
But the sun shines forth so brightly,  
And he views the lady with a nervous eye,  
And he would have seen her, much sooner,  
A darksome cloud across the lake,  
Believed by the lightning's flash;  
The sea was mounting high, and the rain  
Came down, and the thunder crashed.

The boatman pulls his dripping oar,  
And the boat has ceased its motion;  
The scattered and torn, and plumed horse  
On the bosom of the ocean,  
And the knight and the fisher have found  
The boatman's fate.

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My hack was obtained from a green  
house master never knew how to  
cross were let out on hire, or the way  
by Thomas Sly would not have been  
when his place—a remunerative one—  
was a single hour after the discovery  
of a single pair of spurs, just to appear  
as a gentleman-rider and not as a  
being the grand on a superannuated  
out of horseflesh that would soon be  
sent to the knacker's to provide de-  
cable food for animals that are fond of  
nocturnal rambles on the slates an-  
tles.

I piloted my fiery Babophalus safe  
down the aristocratic regions of Bel-  
gravia, and flattered myself that uni-  
formly one looked admiringly at my ad-  
mirable building form, that had not been quite  
done before. Without, however, con-  
necting my name with any such a very  
noble name as that of Babophalus.

And didn't it with a vengeance—  
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shapes our ends, rough hew them as  
we will." I have quoted this right, for I  
like to be precise. If I haven't, P. re-  
winkle D. would expect to see force in  
which is all that he can be expected to  
say.

My chief delight was to, exercise my  
famous steel up and down the road in  
front of, and contiguous to my Clara's  
home. I had bribed a common slave  
servant, and learned that my darling's  
name was Clara V. went.

One bright, sunny morning, when  
the birds were singing, hither, and a  
delicious breeze, full of health-giving  
ozone, came from the sun. I was out  
with my gun as usual, when just as I  
was before Clara's door, a German  
band struck up a waltz, which our  
band usually played during my per-  
formances.

Without a moment's warning, Tem-  
peter stood on his hind legs, flinging  
the air with his front ones, and I rolled  
obscurely into the road.

Picking up my hat with his teeth, the  
intelligent creature galloped home,  
leaving me insensible and suffering  
from concussion of the brain.

I learned afterwards that Clara saw  
the accident and had me conveyed into  
her house, when I proved a veritable  
heaven to me.

I am now her husband, and the pos-  
sessor of twenty thousand pounds,  
while my name has been changed to  
V. went; for, on hearing my story and  
the story of our love, her father ad-  
vanced the necessary thousand, and I  
came into my father's fortune; so the  
thousand is no longer wanted.

A Novel Conflict.

Supt. Brown's white bull-terrier Bob-  
by, and Lizzie, the Australian baboon  
at the Zoo, had a five-round scrap  
in the cellar of the monkey-house a few  
days ago. There were only two spec-  
tators, but the sight would have made  
the blood of a sanguinary prize-fighter  
freeze.

Lizzie, the baboon, has been tied up  
in a cage in the gloomy basement all  
winter, owing to a complication of com-  
plaints which render her unfit to asso-  
ciate with the more cheerful and better  
behaved monkeys upstairs. Her morose-  
ness of temper is attributed to dyspep-  
sia, the result of indulging a fondness  
for appetite for tinware, brass spigots  
and old iron. Lizzie has also had the  
measles, and muscular weakness of the  
heart, produced by physical exertions to  
make life pleasant for the other mon-  
keys in the exercise of an artistic  
instinct.

In her loneliness she had no other  
one in whom to awaken interest, except  
Bobby, and her passion for accomplishment,  
this has made some very thrilling ex-  
periences for Bobby in that dark cellar.

Every time he waddled past her cage  
she reached for him like a lightning  
stroke from the clouds. The discom-  
forts of life attending this made Bobby  
meek, and for other day he paid the  
price of peace by fighting it out to the  
bitter end.

The contest was fought according to  
the scientific rules of the ring, and the  
baboon got more points in sparring in  
ten minutes than she could have learned  
in the Schuykill Navy Athletic club in  
ten years. It was exciting and hair-  
raising.

Five rounds were fought. Like a good  
man, Bobby never got humiliated, and  
the baboon started the fight. Bobby  
was dancing around playfully off his  
guard, when Lizzie suddenly let out  
with her left and caught Bobby back of  
the ear. She followed with her right  
and fastened a collar-and-elbow grip on  
the terrier's tail. It is annoying to a  
dog to take unhallooed possession of  
his tail.

The next time Lizzie aimed a left  
handed blow at him, he dodged and got a  
grip on the elbow. Then there was  
music, things looked dizzy, the hair  
flow, howls of horror went up, and the  
cellar shook. Lizzie let go Bobby's tail  
but the terrier just hung on and chewed  
Lizzie wanted to chew something too  
but the bars of the cage were bars to  
her wishes, and if there had been no  
bars there would have been a whizzing  
eye in that cellar, with either a dead  
dog or a dead monkey to memorialize  
the conflict.

The first round lasted two minutes,  
when Bobby let go to get his wind. He  
stood up gamely for the second round.  
Lizzie spared more cautiously for an  
opening, made several feints, and  
caught Bobby foul once or twice.

But the last round was a beauty. The  
combatants closed again in the wind-  
up. Lizzie showed more confidence,  
and when she led out once with too  
long a reach to recover in good shape  
Bobby caught on again. He got a saw-  
like grip on Lizzie's wrist and kept out  
of distance of her terrible right-handers.  
There was more music. Bobby dodged,  
growled, chewed, pulled, and wagged  
his tail. After three minutes he was  
ordered to break away, and it was de-  
cided that he had won the medal. The  
fight will go down as one of the most  
gaily fought amateur contests with-  
out gloves on record.—Philadelphia  
Telegraph.

Young Percie Shafton Muddhed hap-  
pens in at a discussion of the labor  
troubles at the club. After listening  
with profound attention he demands of  
the spokesman: "Aw, dear baby, car  
you, aw, apprise me of: aw, what the  
dayvil all these stivikes aw faw? Be-  
cause I'm weally too disgustingly igno-  
rant of theash, aw, origin faw any-  
thing; I am, assual you." "Well, the  
chief occasion of them appears to be  
that the strikers want something to  
eat." "Aw! Then why the dayvil  
don't they, aw, go the westward and  
aw, got it?"—N. Y. Town Topics.

M. C. Flanders, the Kendall, N. Y.,  
astronomer, has a moon theory of his  
own. He claims that during the re-  
cent eclipse the semi-transparency of  
the moon was made quite evident, by  
means of a telescope, sun spots being  
discerned through the moon's disk.

How Came Caneos Out.

The art of caneos-cutting was intro-  
duced into the United States in 1850. It  
has







# THE UNION.

BRIDGEPORT, JULY 24, 1886.

## LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

Board met July 6th, 1886.  
Minutes of April meeting read and approved.

Amount necessary to meet amount of claims allowed on District Road Fund, ordered transferred from County Road Fund. Ordinance No. 17 passed.

Deputy Clerks, for registration purposes, allowed 12 1/2 cents for each registration made.

Treasurer authorized to pay the Matron of the County Hospital the amount due her, monthly, on certificate of Supervisor Davison and attending physician.

Military Roll accepted and ordered filed.

Mammoth Precinct established, to include all of Lake Mining District.

Saw Mill Precinct established with the following boundaries:

Commencing at the mouth of Rush Creek, thence along said creek to Grant Lake; thence in a straight line to the top of the Obidian mountain; thence in a northeasterly direction to the State line west of McLaughlin's ranch; thence along said line to where it crosses the Aurora and Benton road; thence in a straight line to the Lime Kiln Station; thence in a straight line to Dr. Mathews' cabin; thence along the eastern and southern shores of Mono Lake to the place of beginning.

Vernon Precinct established with the following boundaries:

Commencing at the mouth of Rush Creek; thence along said creek to Grant Lake; thence along the foot hills to the upper saw mill on Leavitt Creek; thence in a northerly direction along said hills to the Boarding House at the Copper mine; thence in a northerly direction to the divide between Dog Town and Mono Gulch; thence in a straight line to the summit of the 'Hot Ranch' Gulch Road; thence along said road to Mono Lake; thence along the northern and western shore of said lake to the place of beginning.

Bennettville Precinct established with the following boundaries:

Commencing at Grant Lake; thence along the Vernon precinct line to the upper saw mill on Leavitt Creek; thence up said creek to the dividing line between Tuolumne and Mono counties; thence along said line to the top of Mount Lyall; thence in a straight line to Grant Lake to the place of beginning.

Lundy Precinct established with the following boundaries:

Commencing at the upper saw mill on Leavitt Creek to the summit; thence along said summit to Virginia Creek; thence along said creek to the head of Virginia Creek Hydraulic ditch where it diverts from the creek; thence in a straight line to the Copper Mine Boarding House; thence along the line of Vernon Precinct to the upper saw mill on Leavitt Creek to the place of beginning.

Lake Canyon and Homer Precincts consolidated.

Outstanding Bonds ordered refunded. Legal notices ordered published. Treasurer, Auditor and District Attorney authorized to open bids and do such other matters as may be necessary for the completion of the refunding of the debt, and re-issuance of the bonds.

In the matter of paying the necessary expenses incurred in refunding the 7 per cent. County Bonds:

In this matter, it appearing to the satisfaction of this Board that it will be necessary to incur certain expenses in order to effect the sale of the new (5) per cent. County Bonds to redeem the 7 per cent. County Bonds.

Therefore, be it Resolved, by this Board, that we will cause to be paid to S. D. Harvey, of San Francisco, a commission of five hundred dollars, the same being in full payment for his services, rendered and to be rendered, in refunding the 7 per cent. County Bonds to 5 per cent. County Bonds. Total amount of Bonds to be refunded, \$35,000.

Bodie East Precinct and Bodie West Precinct consolidated.

Ordinance No. 18 passed.

Claim of Buckland for repayment of license paid on sheep rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Boone, Hector, Davison and Waterson.

Noes—Goodnow.

In the matter of making a test case in regard to salaries, moved by Boone, seconded by Hector, that we instruct the District Attorney to inquire into the law under which the County Auditor is drawing his salary; that if said officer is by virtue of his appointment acting under the law as revised in Statutes of 1885, and only entitled to the salary as provided in said amended law, then in the judgment of the District Attorney it is deemed advisable, we hereby instruct said District Attorney to take such steps as may be necessary to settle the matter by making out a case that will bring the constitutionality of the law before the Courts as to its taking effect upon all appointed and elected officers after its passage. Passed by the following vote:

Ayes—Hector, Waterson and Boone.

Noes—Goodnow and Davison.

Auditor's and Treasurer's Reports accepted and ordered filed.

Indigent sick person allowed \$10 per month.

A. C. Raymond appointed Road Overseer of Bodie Road District.

Geiger Grade Road declared a county road.

Claim of R. McAlpin for services of Deputy, amounting to \$625, allowed by the following vote:

Ayes—Boone, Hector, Waterson and Davison.

Noes—Goodnow.

Claim of R. McAlpin, for making maps and material furnished, rejected by the following vote:

Ayes—Boone, Hector and Waterson.

Noes—Davison.

A. Taylor appointed Road Overseer of

## RELIGIOUS.—Rev. G. B. Hinkle will hold

services in the School House to-morrow week at 11 a. m. All are cordially invited to attend.

Cream Corn Meal and steel-cut Scotch

oat meal at Bryant's Post Office Store.

SUPERIOR white cornmeal, direct from St.

Louis, for sale at the Bodie Store, Bodie.

Have you tried the fine cider at Bryant's

Post Office Store?

Collars, Cuffs, Neckties, Handkerchiefs,

and Socks, for sale at Joe A. Brown's.

A fine stock of dress goods at D. Hays &

Bro.

NEW TO-DAY.

REPORT OF COUNTY TREASURER.

Z. B. Tinkum, Treasurer in account with

O. H. Kister, Auditor of Mono County,

Cal., for Quarter ending July 1, 1886.

—Dr.—

Apr. 3. Balance in Treasury, \$61,804 05

—Received—

Apr. 8. From R. G. Montrose, Tax Collector, one-half of costs on delinquent tax, 30 00

" 8. From J. G. Gregg, in redemption property sold for tax, 109 67

" 8. From County Officers' fees for March, 120 35

" 8. From R. McAlpin, poll and hospital tax and personal property tax, 356 66

" 26. From A. K. Patrick, State School Land entry, 27 20

May 3. From H. M. Eddy, tax 1885, collected by suit, 43 85

" 3. From County Officers' fees for April, 366 52

" 3. From R. G. Montrose, for license, 754 00

" 4. From R. McAlpin, poll and hospital tax, 195 80

" 4. From R. McAlpin, personal property tax, 82 85

" 20. From Jas. G. Thompson, interest on State School Land, 56 00

" 20. From R. G. Watkins, Assignee's interest on State School Land, 11 20

" 20. From J. G. Gregg, T. Holl, Agent, interest State School Lands, 22 40

June 7. From H. M. Eddy, tax of 1885, collected by suit, 8 51

" 9. From W. T. Elliott, interest on State School Land, 128 00

" 12. From R. G. Montrose, licenses, 102 00

" 12. From County Officers' fees for May, 156 64

" 23. From J. A. Benson, State School Land entry, 50 31

" 23. From Donald Terry, State School Land entry, 120 66

" 23. From D. O. Waltz, interest on State School Land, 25 00

" 23. From M. A. Hearne, N. Parsons, Assigner, interest on State School Land, 5 60

" 23. L. Goodnow, State School Land entry, 14 74

" 23. From R. McAlpin, Poll and hospital tax, and personal property tax, 446 92

" 30. From C. B. Anton, Justice's fine, 5 00

3,242 58

—CR.—

—Disbursements—

1886. By Warrants redeemed on funds as follows:

General 122 15

Contingent Expense 3,224 94

Salary 1,023 13

Hospital 2,719 22

School Districts 106 01

Estate of Deceased Persons 223 95

Township Roads 223 95

1886. \$11,301 69

July 1. By balance in Treasury, \$3,845 34

July 1. To balance in Treasury this day, \$43,845 34

Z. B. TINKUM, Treasurer.

1886. Report continued, brought forward.

July 1. Balance in Treasury, \$43,845 34

For credit following funds:

Folio. Salary \$3,600 36

61. County School—unap- 232 67

62. Swamp and Overflowed Land. 7,592 42

63. Alpine Wards. 314 62

107. State School Land. 499 71

144. Hospital. 6,838 65

153. Contingent Expense. 2,719 22

188. Road Bond Interest. 4,044 45

192. Bonded Debt. 2,540 82

198. County Road. 1,070 67

208. General. 5,561 40

580. Estate of Deceased persons. 1,525 63

588. Treasurer's Mileage. 100 00

DISTRICT SCHOOLS.

283. Bridgeport. 69 59

388. N. Antelope. 4 79

391. S. Antelope. 67 88

394. Lundy. 18 61

397. Bodie. 514 28

405. Antelope. 183 27

408. Benton. 91 52

409. Clinton. 61 55

480. Benton Special tax. 1 27 1112 76

SCHOOL LIBRARY.

486. Antelope. 9 00

491. Lundy. 52 22

492. N. Antelope. 23 73

494. Bridgeport. 773 57

496. Benton. 0 99

499. Clinton. 22 52

508. S. Antelope. 2 22

508. Bodie. 25 18 300 24

TOWNSHIP ROADS.

620. Bodie. 1 55

626. Antelope. 0 00

631. Benton. 18 91

635. Bridgeport. 4 00

642. Clinton. 8 39 22 65

Less Antelope Township Road Fund, overpaid. 43 65 43,845 34

Treasurer's Office, Bridgeport, Mono County, July 1, 1886.

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors, Mono County.

Respectfully submitted,

Z. B. TINKUM, Treasurer.

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As well as to residents and permanent The citizens.

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The best of Wines, Liquors and Cigars at the Bar.

Good Fishing in Walker River. Commodious Stabling. my22-tf

## MISCELLANEOUS.

### Re-Registration.

OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK OF MONO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, January 6th, 1886.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ORDER OF the Board of Supervisors of Mono County, California, made and entered January 6th 1886, a re-registration of the voters of said Mono County is required in compliance with Section 104 of the Political Code, amended March 30th, 1878.

BEN H. MILLER, County Clerk.

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ALL parties interested in said estate will please take notice that I have been substituted as Administrator, vice W. H. Rogers, deceased, and they are requested to correspond with me, and let me know of any transactions they may have had with said W. H. Rogers concerning said estate, as I am unable to find any papers, etc., etc., showing the condition of said estate.

Address, B. T. BROWN, Public Administrator, Bridgeport, Mono County, Cal., or to my Attorney, W. G. PARKER, Esq., Bridgeport, Mono County, Cal.

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JULY 24, 1886.

## THE POSTAGE-STAMP.

The Story of Its Origin—A Brief Sketch of Its History.

Mr. Rowland Hill, the great postoffice reformer, and inventor of the postage-stamp, was born at Kildermister, England, Dec. 3, 1795. After his education was completed, he assumed the position of teacher in a school conducted by his father, near Birmingham, until 1833, when he joined a company interested in forming a colony in South Australia, and was appointed secretary of the royal commissioners who managed the affairs of the colony. He was also a member of the "Society of the Diffusion of Useful Knowledge." The rates of postage at that time were very high. Postage beyond the limits of London district post-office varied from 4d. to 1s. 8d. for a single letter meaning a single piece of paper of less than one ounce weight.

This exorbitant postage was beyond the means of the mass of the people, consequently correspondence was scarce, and this proved very injurious to commerce and the industry of the country. The high rate of postage attracted Hill's attention; he argued that if the price of postage was lowered, so many more letters would pass through the mail that the financial condition of the treasury would not be impaired. While society would derive much additional benefit. He became so much interested in the matter that in 1839 he prepared a pamphlet recommending a new and uniform rate of postage, which he presented to the House of Commons. The British government, his plans were much favored, and a committee was appointed to investigate its merits and present a new code of postal laws which were adopted, making the London district postage 1 penny, and a general inland rate of 4-pence. January 10, 1840, the uniform penny post came into use, which may be considered the birthday of the postage-stamp, although they were not actually introduced until the 6th of May following.

This experience was successful beyond his own expectations; during the next ten years it made so great a difference that in 1850 there were sent through the mails 7,239,962 letters, against 1,500,000 in 1840. Hill then accepted a place in the treasury, but a change of government dismissed him. He was generally regarded as a public benefactor, and a subscription was raised for his benefit in London, which amounted to £15,000, or \$24,000. This goes to show the appreciation with which he was regarded by a grateful nation. In 1850 he was appointed secretary to the postmaster-general. In 1860 he was made K. C. B. in recognition of his public services. We reprint the following curious and interesting story, though we do not know its origin. There is a slight probability that it may have been what set off the following incident:

One day a letter came out of an envelope in the North of England and was received from a postman's letter, which he handed over to her hand as she quitted the post office. The man asked a smiling, a smiling lady for one so poor as herself to pay, and she returned the letter to the postman with sadness, although she knew that the letter had sent it.

What a sympathetic traveler Mr. Rowland Hill story by, and at this moment interposed, and insisted on the smiling lady, although she seemed strongly averse to it. When the postman had printed the kind message Mr. Hill was surprised that there was no need to pay for the envelope, and he wrote a communication, but on its outside were certain marks, agreed upon by herself and brother, from which she held the letter in her hands, so gathered all the information she desired. "We are both so poor," she continued, "that we invented this mode of correspondence without paying for letters."

## Skin-Grafting.

Dr. R. F. Campbell, of Cleveland, has explained to the *Harvard* of the city, how he saved the life of Mr. Frawley, a brakeman on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Road. Frawley was burned so badly by the explosion of an oil car at Angola, N. Y., last March, that the skin of his back, of both legs, and of both thighs was destroyed to the extent of 300 square inches. The afflicted surface was so large, especially on the left limb that it allowed to heal without skin-grafting; the muscles would contract and cripple the patient for life in all probability. Before performing the operation of grafting new skin the surgeon carefully prepared the wounds by cutting out all the burned parts and dead skin. Thirty days from the time of the accident the wounds were healed sufficiently to allow the application of bits of skin ranging in size from a pin-head to half a foot in diameter. The bits were held fast by gutta-serena tissue, a substance like mulling and which was covered with a dressing of gauze and absorbent cotton. This dressing was changed every day. In three days the grafted skin took root and extended rapidly from bit to bit. At first the new skin was pink, but changed to the color of natural cuticle. The bits were taken from healthy parts of the patient's body, and four, five or six other persons. To obtain the new skin was tried with forceps and cut off with scissors. This process is far more painful to the heroic person operated upon than is the operation of grafting to the patient. The grafting is an easy process, but great care must be exercised in dressing the grafts. The grafted skin is not so elastic as the natural skin, because the natural tissue has been burned away, and it is just as good as the other for its practical purposes. The surgeon found the inner part of a good healthy corn would produce skin growth of a normal character. Dr. Campbell said skin-grafting was first practiced in this country in 1871, and it is more common than ever now. Some surgeons equal results will be obtained, in his experience, by merely laying the bit between the grannies on the surface. Bits of skin from a colored person when grafted retain their natural color. So successful was Dr. Campbell with Frawley that the railroad company engaged him to operate on Charles Anderson, of Angola, who recently had his back burned by a railroad accident.

## A Fight With a Crocodile.

"What a queer craft! I'm glad I haven't got to go up to Khartoum in a thing like that."

So spoke a bearded, brown-faced English officer standing upon the bank of the Upper Nile, close to the Aral Village of Shendi, midway between Berber and Khartoum.

Certainly it was a "queer craft," and he might well be glad that he had not got to make a long voyage in it. It was a big, clumsy, flat-bottomed barge, almost as broad as it was long, and steered by a gaunt, half-clad Arab with something that looked very much like an overgrown wooden shovel. A tall, bony native, standing bolt upright upon the deck, served as a mast, while the piece of coarse canvas which he held up at full length in his outstretched hands did duty for a sail. This living mast was kept in its place by two other men, one of whom clasped it around the waist, while the other held on its knees with all his might and main.

To use living rigging is not always a safe experiment, and in this case proved very unsafe indeed. A sudden gust of wind took the sail aback, and the Arab who was serving as mast for it, and who had planted his feet upon the two lower corners of the canvas, in order to keep it stretched to its full extent, found himself entangled in it almost before he knew what had happened. Losing his balance, he fell backward, and rolled over the edge of the boat into the water, dragging with him one of the two men who had been holding him up.

The other man scrambled back into the boat almost as quickly as he had tumbled out of it; but the mast-man was not so lucky. It took him two or three seconds to get rid of the canvas that was hampering him, and those two seconds made all the difference. By the time he had got clear the ferocious crocodile had drifted a good way down the stream, the steer-man having left it just and run forward when he saw his comrades fall overboard.

This of itself would have mattered little, for every Arab in the Nile valley can swim like a duck. But while the struggling man was swimming with a head toward the boat, and the steer-man was working the boat's head round to meet him, a new actor suddenly appeared on the scene, and coming made the affair look much more serious.

No one had taken any particular notice of a long black log which was lying on the edge of a sand-bank a little way out in the stream. But at the splash made by the two Arabs as they plunged overboard, the log seemed to make a sudden movement, displaying as it did so the vast, scaly bulk, grinning teeth, and small, cunning, cruel eye of a monstrous crocodile!

At first the crocodile came on slowly, and no one had seen watching it would have been started by the arrow-like swiftness of its course the moment it touched the water. The poor Arab knew only too well what was in store for him, and made frantic efforts to reach the boat, which was now close at hand. But the monster was too quick for him. It dived in between him and the approaching barge, it spun around suddenly and darted right at him, opening its terrible jaws wide enough to show two ranges of spiky teeth that might have crushed a buffalo.

But just as all seemed over, one of the ferry-men took a flying leap from the side of the boat and came plump on to the crocodile's back. There he stuck like a limpet, while the long, sharp jambezan (dagger) in his right hand dealt stab after stab into the monster's undefended side, just behind the fore-soulder.

Could the crocodile have spoken, he would probably have cried out: "Foul play! two against one!" As it was he showed his disgust plainly enough by his savage snortings and the furious lashings of its ponderous tail, till, finding that its enemy was not to be shaken off, he plunged suddenly under the water. Man and beast went down in a whirling eddy, the ripples of which were dark with blood.

## The Vision and Hearing of Fish.

But little has been written on the development of vision and hearing in fish, and that little has been theory rather than deduction from actual experiment. It is my voice. These demonstrations are invariably been varied by a confusion which would communicate itself to the water this has no longer been the case, and evidence of alarm, or at least of the "convulsion" was felt, has been apparent. In an English work, the case of which I in vain endeavor to recall, an account of some very interesting and more decisive experiments is given.

The writer caused a building to be erected over the water, and made his observation through small apertures constructed for the purpose, so that he could conceal it. His trout were well accustomed to the wiles of the angler and timid. Sending a man on sight behind the building the firm, a gun by him produced not the slightest effect on the trout, who rose freely during the experiment to fly down toward them through a tube. He, therefore, convinced that no sound or injurious which does not communicate its vibration to the water. But discussion upon the side or bottom of a boat, or jumping from rock to rock, or blowing upon a hard bottom with the rading staff or with bob-nailed shoes, think are so invaded through and by the water as to be in some measure perceptible to the fish and warn them. That fish possess the sense of hearing their anatomical structure goes far to prove, while that they are not insensible to sounds produced in the air must be admitted, unless the doubt is prepared to call in question the numerous accounts by alleged eye-witnesses of their coming to be fed at the sound of a bell &c. This, for one, hesitate to believe. Notwithstanding I have never been able to make a sound in the air which seemed to produce the slightest effect on trout in water, to which fish my experience has been confined. It may, however, well be that the sound was perceived, while the fish were so habituated to the roar of the waterfall and similar noises, without any ill consequences ensuing, that sound alone was not regarded by them as an indication of danger.—*Fly Rods and Fly Tackle*—H. P. Wells.

A Buffalo Times man was recently besieged by a Boston book agent, who took possession of the only remaining chair in the sanctum and began to pour in his broadside.

"My name," said she, "Miss Alice McAllister, and I come from Boston, the seat of culture and the home of all good women."

"What made you leave it, Alice?" said the reporter, seeing that the combined indifference of the two newspaper men had brought the woman of culture to a sudden halt.

"I'm a traveling advocate of woman's rights and a wandering book-woman," she said. "The reporter was about to ask her if she was walking good, but at this time she had shaken off what little embarrassment she might have felt at first, and would not give the reporter a chance to utter a word."

"I have been to all the eastern cities and am only stopping in Buffalo for three months to take a few orders of my work of 'Eminent Women.' I am to every-day book-agent, as you will perceive, my sample-book is my mull, in which I had a pocket made for the purpose. I do not advertise through the papers. I advertise in person. I despise very young men and very old men. Neither can appreciate my work. I find out the names of every man in the office and what position he held before I enter it, so that I can call every person by name. I pay no attention to the signs over the doors which forbid agents to enter. They never now I'm an agent until I'm fairly settled, and then the whole office usually makes up so as to get rid of me. I am never in a hurry. If people do not subscribe I remain immovable after I have used up all my exertions, then I faint, and work on their sympathy. I got in to a railroad office once, and they gave me a pass to Chicago if I would leave the town. I once recited the first verse of a poem of my own production in a newspaper office, and the editor offered to subscribe for my book if I would omit the remaining stanzas. When I called around to collect my money they told me that he was dead, and that there was no money left after paying his funeral expenses."

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